

REMARKS

Status of the Claims

Claims 1, 2, 5-16, 19-28, 31-47, 49-81, 84-87, 90-92, 94-99, and 111, 112, and 114-123 are pending in the present application, Claim 113 having been canceled in the present amendment, Claims 3, 4, 17, 18, 29, 30, 48, 82, 83, 88, 89, 93, and 123 having been previously canceled, and Claims 100-110 having been previously canceled in response to a restriction requirement. .

Entry Of the Present Amendment, Which is After Final

MPEP 714.13 indicates that entry of after final amendments is not a right. However, that section also indicates after final amendments that require only a cursory review by the Examiner may be entered.

The present amendment simply cancels Claim 113, the only remaining rejected claim, thereby placing the case into condition for allowance. Thus, the present amendment should require only a cursory review by the Examiner. Accordingly, entry of the present amendment after final is entirely consistent with MPEP 714.13.

Claims Rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112

The Examiner has rejected Claims 113 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. The Examiner has asserted that the term “quality of a chemical product” is indefinite. However, applicants have now canceled Claim 113, rendering the rejection moot, and placing the case in condition for allowance.

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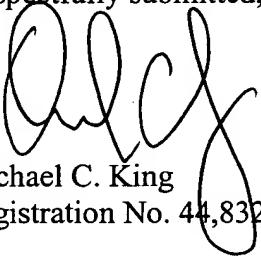
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1 In view of the amendments and Remarks set forth above, it will be apparent that the claims in
2 this application define a novel and non-obvious invention, and that the application is in condition for
3 allowance and should be passed to issue without further delay. Should any further questions remain,
4 the Examiner is invited to telephone applicants' attorney at the number listed below.

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6 Respectfully submitted,

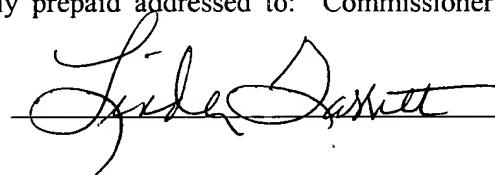
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